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Principal's Update 18/11/22

Dear Parents,

We have had a very productive 'Anti Bullying' week:

- The children have worked within their classrooms on a range of activities to increase their understanding of the role that each of us has to play in reducing bullying within our school.
- We have had visits from PSNI today to deliver assemblies about the bullying message.
- We have also appointed and announced our Anti Bullying Ambassadors at assembly today, congratulations to all who were selected.
- A group of parents met with our Vice Principal, Mrs Donnelly, to review the Anti Bullying policy and they gave us some really great ideas for further work. They also stressed the importance of explaining the policy to all our parents, in very clear terms to ensure that our children are receiving the same messages from their family and the adults who work with them in school. Thank you to those parents for their generosity.

Next week we will share some of our work with you as homework to be completed with your child, in the hope that we will all begin to have a shared understanding of the complexities involved in managing instances of bullying behaviour.

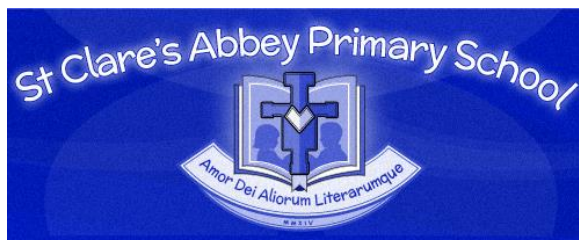
### **Book Fair:**

I remind parents that the book fair will arrive in school next week and will be open for business on **Monday the 28th of November through to Wednesday the 30th of November from 8.40 to 9:00am** and in the afternoon from **2:00 to 3:15pm**. Once again, **I would be highly appreciative if any parent felt he/she could help out during these times**. If so, please contact me on 028 302 62175 or at [mmonaghan771@c2kni.net](mailto:mmonaghan771@c2kni.net).

We hope that this might be a nice time for families to pick up a few Christmas presents.

### **School council work to date:**

Our school council is delighted to announce that the grand total of £781 was raised at the Halloween disco. Thank you so much for your support. **Our busy counsellors are now planning their next event which will be a pyjama/non uniform day to be held on Friday 25th November, pupils are asked to make a contribution of £1 or £2.**



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**Christmas:**

I remind parents once more that assistance can be provided for any family struggling to manage Christmas this year. Please feel free to contact me in the utmost confidence.

And finally.....

I conclude by wishing you a lovely restful weekend,

Yours in partnership

*Mrs Monaghan*